

For Immediate Release

IIJ Starts “wizSafe Security Signal”, a Security Information Site

*--Publicizing Information on Internet-Based Threat Trends and New Methods of Attacks,
Using Data Observed from an Extensive Collection of Logs and Backbone Network Traffic--*

TOKYO—October 19, 2017—Internet Initiative Japan Inc. (IIJ, NASDAQ: IIJI, TSE1: 3774), one of Japan's leading Internet access and comprehensive network solutions providers, today announced that it will start wizSafe Security Signal, a site which transmits timely security information to help corporations and organizations carry out their IT security strategies.

The internet, as a ubiquitous component of social infrastructure, has become an indispensable tool for all types of business. Meanwhile, cyberattacks targeting corporations and organizations to uncover their confidential information and to bring down their systems have become more sophisticated and more varied. Understanding the latest threats and the trends in attack vectors is crucial for strategies meant to provide security countermeasures.

Since 2008, through its quarterly Internet Infrastructure Review (IIR), a compilation of security-related information, IIJ has shared trends in the various types of attacks seen through its incident observation system and their countermeasures, as well as technical knowledge accumulated through operating internet backbone networks. Nevertheless, as attack vectors become more sophisticated and more ingenious, organizations have begun to require instant situational responses in their security strategies. Thus, IIJ launched its wizSafe Security Signal blog to disseminate security information that helps enterprise and organizational IT department managers implement rapid security countermeasures, with its ultimate goal being to improve the timeliness and browsability of published information.

With wizSafe Security Signal, IIJ will provide its customers in Japan and worldwide highly urgent information on security concerns caused by new attack vectors or vulnerabilities. This is in addition to the regular threat trends that it reports based on analyses of data from extensive security device logs and backbone network traffic on its data analytics platform, the core of the wizSafe system that IIJ has incorporated into its security business. By browsing wizSafe Security Signal, our clients can learn about internet-based threats and take quick action before these threats harm their organization.

- wizSafe Security Signal
URL: <https://wizsafe.ij.ad.jp/> (Japanese text only)

Contents at a glance

	Description
Observational reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- DDoS attacks- IJJ Managed Security Services- web-based and email-based malware threats- attacks and probes from bots- Security incident reports
Warnings	Information on highly urgent threats, attacks, and vulnerabilities (Including summaries, the extent of impact, and countermeasures)

IIJ continues to enhance and expand its system for transmitting information, by gradually expanding the data collected through its data analytics platform and the scope of its analyses, and to develop its wizSafe security business brand based on the concept of "making security the norm."

Through its varied efforts in the security business, IJJ protects people and companies from all types of IT threats and contributes to a safe and secure society in which individuals can devote themselves to their primary activities.

About IJJ

Founded in 1992, IJJ is one of Japan's leading Internet-access and comprehensive network solutions providers. IJJ and its group companies provide total network solutions that mainly cater to high-end corporate customers. IJJ's services include high-quality Internet connectivity services, systems integration, cloud computing services, security services and mobile services. Moreover, IJJ has built one of the largest Internet backbone networks in Japan that is connected to the United States, the United Kingdom and Asia. IJJ listed on the U.S. NASDAQ Stock Market in 1999 and on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 2006. For more information about IJJ, visit the IJJ Web site at <https://www.ijj.ad.jp/en/>.

The statements within this release contain forward-looking statements about our future plans that involve risk and uncertainty. These statements may differ materially from actual future events or results. Readers are referred to the documents furnished by Internet Initiative Japan Inc. with the SEC, specifically the most recent reports on Forms 20-F and 6-K, which identify important risk factors that could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements.

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